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## State of Nevada Assembly

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Tom Wheeler, Chair Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Chair Wheeler,

This letter is to give my support for the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks into New Charter. I am proud to represent District No. 40 in the Nevada Assembly and believe it is my job to promote policies and private initiatives that encourage investment, job growth, and increased opportunities for our State.

New Charter would contribute to an improved national broadband infrastructure through major commitments towards innovation projects. Specifically, it would contribute at least \$2.5 billion to commercial networks and would build out an additional one million residential lines. I am confident, in New Charter's investments as I have witnessed the impact of Charter's recent projects. Charter has invested nearly \$110 million to digitize its platform in Nevada alone during the past three years. The work has brought modern technology to many residents. I believe their future investments would only amplify the benefits to our citizens.

New Charter would also improve economic development in my State through domestic job growth. Charter has long been an important partner with more than 400 employees in Nevada. New Charter would commit to all existing employees by promising not to downsize. In actuality, it would immediately look to increase its workforce by returning to the United States outsourced customer call centers. This is an important commitment to job growth and stands to make a major impact on the communities which receive the re-domesticated call centers.

I support New Charter because of its proven record of commitment to infrastructure investment and job growth.

Sincerely,

Assemblyman PK O'Neill Nevada, District No. 40